Statement

Details of amount earmarked for the backward classes welfare schemes during 1997 to 2001.

S. No.	Scheme	Allocation (Rs. in crores)			
		1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001
1.	Post-matric Scholarships for OBC Students	—	5.00	5.50	9.00
2.	Pre-matric Scholarships for OBC students	—	2.00	5.00	6.00
3.	Hostels for OBC Boys & Girls	—	2.00	3.00	5.00
4.	Assistance to Voluntary Organisations for the Welfare of OBCs	—	2.00	2.50	3.50
5.	Pre-examination Coaching for OBCs	—	0.20	2.50	3.00
6.	National Backward Classes Finance & Development Corporation (NBCFDC)	47.00	91.50	100.00	BE—76.50 RE—Nil

Schemes at Sl. Nos. 1—5 above are being implemented w.e.f. 1998-99.

Review of schemes for upliftment of SCs, STs, Minorities, Etc.

1091. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of welfare schemes formulated and being implemented by Government for the upliftment of SCs, STs, Minorities and Other Weaker Sections of society in the country;

(b) whether the Government have reviewed these schemes; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI):

(a) The following schemes are being implemented by Ministry of Social

Justice and Empowerment for educational, economic and social upliftment of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Minorities and Other Weaker Sections of the society in the country.

Scheduled Castes Development

i. Special Central Assistance to Special Component Plan,

ii. Assistance to State Scheduled Castes Development Corporations (SCDCs),

iii. National Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Finance and Development Corporation (NSFDC),

iv. National Safai Karamcharis Finance and Development Corporation (NSKFDC),

v. Post-Matric Scholarship to SC and ST students

vi. Pre-Matric Scholarship to the children of those engaged in unclean occupations,

vii. Special Educational Development Programme for SC Girls belonging to very low literacy levels,

viii. National Overseas Scholarship to SC, ST etc. students,

ix. Coaching and Allied Scheme for SCs,

x. Book Bank for SCs,

xi. Construction of Hostels for SC Girls/Boys

xii. Upgradation of merit,

xiii. National Scheme of Liberation and Rehabilitation of Scavengers and their dependents,

xiv. Implementation of Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 and the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989

xv. Supporting Projects of All India or Inter-State nature for Scheduled Castes (Research & Training),

xvi. Grant-in-aid to Voluntary Organisations working for the welfare of Scheduled Castes,

Other Backward Classes

i. Pre-Matric Scholarships for OBC students,

ii. Post-Matric Scholarships for OBC students,

iii. Hostels for OBC Boys and Girls.

iv National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation (NBCFDC)

v Grant-in-Aid to Voluntary Organisations working for the welfare of OBCs.

vi Pre-Examination Coaching for Backward Classes.

vii Residential Schools for Boys and Girls.

Minorities

i Share Capital to National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation.

ii Multi-Sectoral Plans for Minority Concentration Districts.

iii Pre-Examinations Coaching for Weaker Sections based on economic criteria.

iv. Grant-in-aid to Maulana Azad Education Foundation.

Ministry of Tribal Affairs is implementing the following schemes/ programmes for the welfare and development of Scheduled Tribes:

i Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Plan,

ii. Grants under First Proviso to Article 275(1) of the Constitution,

iii. Girls Hostels for Scheduled Tribes,

iv. Boys Hostels for Scheduled Tribes,

v. Establishment of Ashram School in Tribal Sub-Plan Area,

vi. Grant-in-aid to Voluntary Organisations working for the welfare of Scheduled Tribes,

vii. Research and Training,

viii. Share Capital Contribution to TRIFED,

ix. Price Support to TRIFED,

x Grant-in-aid to State Tribal Development Cooperative Corporations for Minor Forest Produce,

xi. Educational complex in Low Literacy Pockets for development of ST Girls in Tribal Areas,

xii. Vocational Training in Tribal Areas,

xiii. Village Grain Bank,

xiv. Development of Primitive Tribal Groups,

xv. Post-Matric Scholarship for Scheduled Tribes Students,

xvi. National Overseas Scholarship Scheme for Scheduled Tribes,

xvii. Grants under second proviso to Article 275(1) of the Constitution,

xviii. Coaching and Allied Scheme for scheduled Tribes,

xix. Upgradation of Merit of ST students,

xx. Book Bank for Scheduled Tribes students,

xxi. State Tribal Development Finance Corporation

Details in this regard have been indicated in the Annual Report of the Ministries for 1999-2000, which have been laid in the Parliament and also in the website of the Ministries. (www.socialjustice.nic.in and htpp/ tribal.nic.in)

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Reservation for Backward Castes

†1092. SHRI JHUMUK LAL BHENDIA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) Whether Government are contemplating to increase the reservation upto 27 per cent for the OBCs in Administrative/Public services and in other posts which is 14 per cent at present; and

(b) If so, by when this is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI) : (a) The Government of India has already been providing 27 per cent reservation in civil posts and services under the Government of India to eligible persons belonging to Other Backward Classes (OBCs).

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.